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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Hon. Richard J. Sullivan, U.S.D.J.
United States District Court, S.D.N.Y.
500 Pearl Street
New York, New York 10007

***Re: Gonyer v. Vane Line Bunkering, Inc.
Civil Action No.: 13 Civ. 8488 (RJS)
F&S File No.: 66-419
Assigned Attorney: Joseph A. Fitapelli***

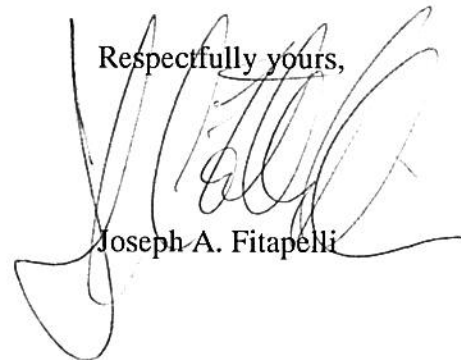
Dear Honorable Sir:

We represent Plaintiff and a nationwide putative class of current and former Tankermen who work or have worked for Vane Line Bunkering Inc., d/b/a Vane Brothers Company.

Plaintiff writes this letter jointly with Defendants regarding the Pilot Project Regarding Case Management Techniques for Complex Civil Cases in the Southern District of New York ("Pilot Program"). On December 2, 2013, this case was designated for inclusion in the Pilot Program. The parties respectfully request that the Court remove the instant action from the Pilot Program and permit the case to proceed pursuant to Your Honor's individual rules of practice.

We thank the Court for its consideration of our request.

Respectfully yours,



Joseph A. Fitapelli

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